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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME — ONE MONTH

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Gentlemen:

Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the above-identified application's outstanding office action dated October 4, 2000 and our check for \$55 covering the fee is enclosed.

Any additional fees required in connection with this communication which are not specifically provided for herewith are authorized to be charged to the Deposit Account No. 16-2230 in the name of Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP. Any overpayments are also authorized to be credited to this account. **A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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